

Lake Norman Charter School

Board meeting minutes – open session

July 9, 2009

Board members present:

- Tom Ghareeb – Board chair
- Tricia Sisson – Vice Chair
- Cathy Moore – Secretary
- Rich Bovard - Treasurer
- Bill Farber
- Anita Blowers
- Kristi Miller
- Lee Brooks
- Eddie Bethea
- Rob Dixon
- Kathleen Eid-Heberle – non voting
- Tim Reimer – non voting

Administrative staff present: Mike M.; Michelle H.; Donna G.; Terri C.; Beau C.

Call to order @ 6:30pm

Motion by Rob, second by Tricia to approve both open & closed session June minutes.
Motion carried.

Public comments:

- Mr. Manning – voiced comments regarding LNCS honor code; voiced comments regarding recent personnel changes/non-renewal of teacher contracts
- Ms. Bacogeorge – new area agency (CaliCos Haven, Inc.) providing equine-assisted psychotherapy; licensed professionals

Treasurer's report – Rich Bovard

- Primary activity now on phase 2 of high school project; media center space and additional classrooms; estimated cost ~\$2 million

Construction update – Bill Farber

- 2nd floor near completion
- widening of Hwy 115 progressing

New business:

- discussion regarding start time for middle & high school for upcoming school year; summary by Mr. Cannon of study findings respective to timing, traffic patterns, safety, etc; issues to consider – student supervision, safety, traffic; proposed options:
 - option 1 – same as current process; high school starts 30 minutes prior to middle school
 - option 2 – same start times for both schools
 - option 3 – middle school to start first
 - option 4 – decrease time between start time for middle & high school to 15 minutes
 - recommend high school to start @ 7:45, carpool 7:15, building open @ 7:15; leave middle school times as current
 - Motion by Eddie, second by Tricia to change high school start time to 7:45 and high school end time to 2:45 for 2009-10 school year. Middle school times to remain the same. Motion carried.
- discussion regarding enrollment of new 12th graders for 2010-11 school year; per NC Charter School guidelines, must accept students for any grade in which open slots are present
- preliminary 2008-09 Student Achievement Data presented by Michelle Harrison & Terri Costa (attached)
- recommendations for personnel appointments presented (attached)
 - Motion by Rob, second by Tricia to approve personnel appointments as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Kristi, second by Tricia to enter closed session. Motion carried.

Return from closed session. Motion by Tricia, second by Kristi to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy C. Moore, Secretary